

City of Leon Valley Minutes of the Meeting of the
Community Events Committee

May 18, 2016

The meeting of the Community Events Committee convened on Wednesday at 6:37 p.m. at the Leon Valley Conference Room, 6400 El Verde Road, Leon Valley, Texas 78238.

I. ROLL CALL

Present were Chairman Carlos Vera, Committee Secretary Darcy Vera, Evelyn Scarborough, Bobbie Schaeff, Jackie Walton, Ricardo Ruiz, Belinda Ealy, and new Committee Member Catherine Rodriguez. Along with Communications Director Kristie Flores, Community Development Director Elizabeth Carol and Staff Liaison Sylvia T. Irwin.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Chairman Carlos Vera and Committee member Evelyn Scarborough seconded the motion. The committee then moved to accept the meeting minutes as read.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Carlos Vera proceeded to open the meeting by welcoming our newest member Catherine Rodriguez. Chairman Carlos Vera then introduced our guest Communications Director Kristie Flores and asked for an update. Ms. Flores stated nothing really new than what was reported last month as we go forward.

The first Carnival is out. The second Carnival considered also backed out and the third, Carnival Amanzi, agreed to a contract with a merry-go-round, Ferris wheel, Euro Bungee, rock wall, Pirate ship and custom made wristbands starting at \$10.00. Committee member Jackie Walton suggested the wristbands indicate when rides will close for the evening. Committee member Ricardo Ruiz also suggested that signs be posted to indicate which rides were independent from the carnival to avoid any conflicts. The wristbands will be available for pre-sale at City Hall starting in June.

The ponies, Dinosaur George and San Antonio Music Academy (SAMA) will still be coming.

Chairman Carlos Vera advised that CPS Energy is a new sponsor.

Communications Director Kristie Flores advised that the fireworks display will be shot off from the baseball field and indicated that the test launch was successful but very loud and so staff would be working to notify residents in the area of the upcoming event.

Further, two shuttles from All-Star Shuttles that can carry 56 passengers and will run in opposite directions from the parking lots of Bandera Bowl, St. John Baptist Church, Leon Valley Elementary and the Department of Public Safety.

Committee member Bobby Schaeff suggested that the shuttle boarding and drop off areas identify all designated stops and Communications Director Kristie Flores will also look into placing signs in the designated parking lots prohibiting coolers in park.

Street banners and bandit signs will be displayed in our usual locations. Communications Director Kristie Flores will print 4th of July flyers for Committee members who would like to display them.

Communications Director Kristie Flores announced that there are thirty-one booths, one trailer and three food trucks. Vero Pizza, who is a wood-burning pizza vendor, may also agree to join our festival.

Discussion turned to Grand Marshall selection and some suggestions were Mike Hernandez from Fox TV, the oldest living vet in Leon Valley, the TV personality, Lucinda Rios, and for a veteran from the Bandera Bowl Wounded Warrior event. Communications Director Kristie Flores noted that Jeff and Fiona from KSAT also wanted to be Grand Marshals for the event.

Council Liaison Belinda Ealy announced she would proceed with spray painting sidewalks to create visible paths in the park for trash recycling with volunteers.

Chairman Carlos Vera confirmed that Raymond Rimkus Park would be closed to the public during vendor setup as a safety issue.

Communications Director Kristie Flores went over the entertainment line-up again to include Finding Friday, Mingo Flytrap and Jennifer Felan to name a few.

V. OTHER BUSINESS

Staff liaison Sylvia Irwin extended a copy of the parade participants from last year to Chairman Carlos Vera who assigned call sheets to Committee members and asked that they get back to Ms. Irwin by next week with results.

The next Community Events Meeting is Wednesday June 22, 2016. We will have only one June meeting on the fourth Wednesday closer to the 4th of July.

V. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Chairman Carlos Vera and seconded by Catherine Rodriguez. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Chair	<u>Carlos Vera</u>
Staff	<u>Angela S. Lujan</u>